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OUR FIFTH ANNUAL DISTRICT CONVENTION.

Our fullest anticipations in regard to the New Bloomfield Convention were realized. It was the largest and best that has been held in our district. Eleven Associations, nine in the district and two outside, were represented by forty-three delegates. The opening meeting on Tuesday afternoon, and the morning session of Wednesday, were held in the spacious parlors of Mr. Wm. Willis, Cashier of the Perry County Bank. This excellent arrangement promoted an informality and thoroughness in the conversations on the various topics which made them of great value. One delegate from each Association gave, by question and answer, full account of its work and methods. The ladies provided both dinner and supper for the delegates in the lecture room of the Presbyterian Church on Wednesday, affording thus an opportunity for all of the delegates to make one another's acquaintance and compare notes. The tables were abundantly supplied with good things, to which the delegates did full justice.

The afternoon and night meetings were public, and the citizens of Bloomfield testified their appreciation of the Association work by turning out in large numbers. The programme as published recently in our columns was followed throughout, and the various addresses were practical and inspiring.

The officers of the Convention were, President, Jas. McCormick, Harrisburg; Vice President, Rev. John Edgar, New Bloomfield; Secretary, W. B. Diven, Landisburg; Asst. Secretary, F. S. Cooper, Green Park.

The District Committee reported ten Associations actively at work in the district, of which two have been organized during the year. Correspondence has been carried on between the Associations, and thirteen points visited by members of the Committee.

The following were appointed as the District Committee for the next year: Harrisburg, J. N. Deeter, Chairman; John C. Lynch, Secretary; Jas. McCormick, Treasurer; J. M. Peddicord, James McConaughy. Lebanon, A. S. Light. Steelton, Eugene Scholl, Jas. W. Work, Ex. Sec. Duncannon, S. B. Fahnestock, L. E. McGinnis, Ex. Sec. Newport, J. Coble, John L. Snyder, Ex. Sec. New Bloomfield, Rev. John Edgar, Wilson Lupfer, Ex. Sec. Green Park, F. S. Cooper, Ex. Sec. Sherman's Dale, Thos. S. McCord, Ex. Sec. Landisburg, W. B. Diven. Middletown, to be filled.

The large attendance of delegates at the Convention was due in part to the visits paid by members of the District Committee to several of the Associations just previous to the Convention. Our State Secretary who was present, considers the Convention as one of the best, if not the best, yet held in the State. As its result we shall hope to see better work in every Association in the District.

COURSE OF BIBLE STUDY.

The following course of study has been prepared to be followed during the next three months by the Young Men's Bible Class. The class, in charge of our General Secretary, will be resumed on Sunday morning at 9 o'clock, and will be continued without interruption throughout the summer. Let there be a large attendance at the first meeting to-morrow morning.

1. Our State by Nature.
2. The Consequences of Sin.
3. Salvation Provided. For Whom? How Obtained?
4. The Saviour in Type.
5. The Saviour in Prophecy.
6. The Saviour—His Human Characteristics.
7. The Saviour our Prophet.
8. The Saviour our High Priest.
9. The Saviour our King.
10. The Saviour our Example in Christian Work.
11. The Saviour—His Death.
12. The Saviour—His Resurrection.
13. The Saviour—His Second Coming.

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THE Boys' Entertainment last Monday evening was a creditable one. It was arranged by some boys connected with the Association, and consisted of recitations, readings, vocal and instrumental music. The music furnished by an amateur orchestra was good and greatly delighted the boys.

THE BULLETIN will be mailed regularly every week to other than members of the Association for twenty-five cents per annum. Send your order to the Secretary.

LITERARY CONTEST.

Our Literary Society challenged the Literary Society of the First Free Baptist Church to a literary contest. The challenge was promptly accepted, and the contest will take place in Association Hall on next Friday evening May 7th. The exercises will begin promptly at 8 o'clock, and will consist of Declamations, Essays and Debate. The occasion will be enlivened with music, to be furnished by members of the F. F. B. Literary Society and an amateur orchestra. The exercises will be interesting, and will doubtless attract a large audience. All young men and ladies whether members of the societies or not are invited.

PROGRAMME.

Singing and Prayer.

Opening Remarks by President G. M. McCauley.

Music ..... Orchestra

*F. D. Boyer. *Declaimers*. †A. J. Whitney, Jr.

Quartette. . Mrs. Anderson, Miss Emma Boyer, Messrs A. R. Calder and F. D. Boyer

*C. E. Howard. . *Essayists*. †Chas McConkey.

DEBATE—*Resolved:* That the press is productive of more good than the pulpit.

AFFIRMATIVE.	NEGATIVE.
*A. R. Calder,	†U. M. Weaver,
*H. H. Howard.	†S. P. Keeling.

Music ..... Orchestra

Judges' Decision.

*F. F. B. Literary. †Y. M. C. A. Literary.

THE organization of the Rambling Club has been completed, and it will take its first excursion to-day, going out Herr street to Grantville, and home via Spruce Hollow and the Asylum, and will include a game of ball at some suitable point along the route. They will start from the rooms at 9 o'clock A. M. sharp, all members who desire to accompany them are requested to be on hand promptly.

THE Reading Circle have finished their course of study in "English History and Literature." They will study Ridpath's History of the United States and Lawrence's Primer of American Literature during the month of May.

VOL. 1, No. 1, of State Association Notes, a Quarterly Bulletin published in the interest of the New York State Work, has been received by us, and will be kept on file with the other Bulletins in the Reading Room

OUR MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK ENDING MAY 8, 1880.

SUNDAY	9.00	A. M.	Service in County Jail. C. A. Kunkel.
May 2.	9.00	"	Young Men's Bible Class. "Our State by Nature."
	1.30	P. M.	Mission Sunday School at Lochiel.
	3.15	"	Service of Song—Association Hall. Wm. H. Snyder.
	3.30	"	Service at Home for the Friendless. H. C. Demming.
	5.00	"	Bible Class (Colored). Charles May. Calvary Baptist Church, corner William and Colder streets.
	6.00	"	Service at City Hospital. George B. Sollers.
MONDAY	7.00	"	Boys' Entertainment. Address and Vocal Music.
	8.00	"	Meeting of Boys' Committee.
	8.30	"	Executive Committee Meeting.
TUESDAY	3.00	"	Ladies' Advisory Committee Meeting.
	8.00	"	Board of Managers' Meeting.
THURSDAY	8.00	"	Sunday School Teachers' Bible Class. Rev. J. T. Judd.
FRIDAY	7.00	"	Boys' Prayer Meeting. Horace Chayne.
	7.30	"	" Literary Exercises. Readings, Recitations, &c.
	7.30	"	Reading Circle.
	7.30	"	Association Choral Class.
	8.00	"	Members' Literary Society. Contest with First Free Baptist Literary Society.
SATURDAY	8.00	"	Young Men's Meeting. Wm. C. Berger.
	9.00	"	Young Men's Meeting Committee Meeting.
EVERY WEEK-DAY	8.00 A. M.		Daily Prayer Meeting.
	9.45 P. M.		Evening Prayers in the Parlors.

THE DAILY MORNING PRAYER MEETING

Is held in the Reading Room every morning, except Sunday, at 8.00 o'clock, closing at 8.30.

TOPICS AND LEADERS FOR THE WEEK.

MONDAY.....*Repentance unto Death and Repentance unto Life.* Judas—Matthew xxvii. 3-5; Peter, Mark xiv. 67-72; 2 Cor. vii. 10. Jas. W. Baum.
TUESDAY.....*The Wicked Husbandman.* Mark xii. 1-12. U. A. Poffenberger.
WEDNESDAY.....*The Christian Soldier Described and Exemplified.* 2 Tim. ii. 3-10. G. W. Mehaffey.
THURSDAY.....*Obed-edom.* 2 Sam. vi. 10-12; John xiv. 21-23. Jas. Caruthers.
FRIDAY.....*The Great Supper.* Luke xiv. 15-24. E. O. Dare.
SATURDAY.....*Jesus and the Young.* Matt. xix. 13-26. A. M. Wilson.

EVERYBODY IS INVITED TO ATTEND

RECEPTION COMMITTEE ON DUTY FOR WEEK ENDING MAY 8, 1880.

MONDAY—S. D. Ensinger, W. H. Wigton.
TUESDAY—W. H. Shaffer, T. R. Black.
THURSDAY—E. D. Shellenberger, W. E. Skeen.
FRIDAY—C. W. Hillman, J. S Baer.
SATURDAY—E. W. S. Parthemore, R. D. List.

WE are sure that all who have been attending the Sunday-school Teachers' Meetings during the past month, have been profited with Rev. Judd's teaching of the lessons. The hour of meeting has been changed to eight o'clock. All are invited to meet with the class.

THE Monthly Meeting of the Ladies' Advisory Committee will be held on Tuesday afternoon, 4th inst., at 3 o'clock.

"Fearless Testimony for God Rewarded," (Joshua 14:6-15) will be the subject for Young Men's Meeting this evening at 8 o'clock. We believe we can safely say, that every one who was present at the meeting last Saturday evening went away benefited. Every young man is welcome.

THE Board of Managers' Monthly Meeting will be held on next Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock.

HAVE you changed your residence recently? If so, please notify us promptly of your new address.

MR. W. H. SNYDER will conduct the Service of Song to-morrow afternoon.

REV. J. H. VINCENT lectured for the Lebanon Association on Wednesday last.

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